Services, support, and resources are responsive to the changing needs of children, and their families.



Families and N.E.I.S. staff work as a team to develop a plan with outcomes and strategies appropriate for the unique needs of a child. The team may recommend services from the following list to support and assist families in meeting their child's individualized plan.

- Service coordination
- Parent training, counseling, & home visits
- Screening, evaluation, & assessment
- Family needs assessments
- Assistive technology
- Audiology services
- Medical diagnostic/evaluation services
- Nutrition services
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Psychological services
- Social work services
- Special instruction
- Speech-language services
- Transition services
- Vision services

# **Bureau of Early Intervention Services**

The mission of Nevada's Bureau of Early Intervention Services is to identify infants and toddlers who are at-risk for, or who have developmental delays; provide services and support to families to meet the individualized developmental needs of their child; and facilitate the child's learning and participation in family and community life through the partnerships of families, caregivers, and service providers.

The programs available at Nevada Early Intervention Services are provided to families at no cost to them. Private insurance, and Medicaid cover some services. Families may be asked to provide billing information if they agree to have their insurance billed for covered early intervention services.



State of Nevada Health Division

Nevada Early Intervention Services (N.E.I.S.)

Four unique programs are available to families with children under the age of three.



N.E.I.S. – Northern Nevada 2667 Enterprise Rd. Reno, NV 89512 (775) 688-1341

N.E.I.S. – Northern Rural Nevada 850 Elm St. Elko, NV 89801 (775) 753-1214



#### 1. Early Intervention:

Enrollment is open to families with children between the ages of birth and three years who meet Nevada's eligibility requirements. Early intervention services are provided in natural environments, including home and community settings. Families join together with N.E.I.S. staff to develop an Individualized Family Service Plan, with outcomes that draw on the family's priorities and concerns. Strategies that incorporate a child's individual strengths are developed so families can use them during their daily routines. Transition services are provided to families when their children turn three in order to ensure they receive continuous intervention in community or school settings.

## 2. Hearing Screening Program:

Hearing screenings are available at the Reno and Elko sites for children for whom a hearing concern has been identified.

### 3. Specialty Clinics:

Families who are referred to the genetics clinic will see a geneticist for diagnostic evaluation and counseling. Consultation with a metabolic specialist is available through metabolic clinics for children who have inborn errors of metabolism. These specialty clinics are located in Reno.

# 4. Screening & Monitoring Program (SaM):

A follow along program is available to families who may not meet eligibility criteria for early intervention services, but would like to know if their child is playing, talking, growing, moving, and acting like other children the same age. Fun activities to help children learn new skills are available through SaM.

Children are special and unique. They grow, develop, and learn in the context of relationships with their families, and other caregivers, in everyday routines, activities, and community settings.

N.E.I.S. provides comprehensive evaluations, intervention, services, and support to families in Northern Nevada with eligible infants and toddlers.



#### **Professional staff includes:**

- Developmental Specialists
- Speech Pathologists
- Occupational Therapists
- Physical Therapists
- Dietitians
- Social Workers
- Vision Specialists
- Audiologists
- \* Marriage & Family Counselors
- \* Pediatricians
- \* Psychological Developmental Counselors

<sup>\*</sup> These professionals are located in the Reno/Carson City offices.